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UNITED STATES GOVERNMENT

Memorandum

TO : File (89-69) DATE: 11/25/63

FROM : SAC

SUBJECT: ASSASSINATION OF PRESIDENT KENNEDY
11/22/63, DALLAS, TEXAS

At approximately 10:45 PM, 11/24/63, an individual who identified himself as EDWARD GILLEN, Assistant District Attorney, Juvenile Division, Orleans Parish, telephone TW 9-3507, called me at my residence. GILLEN stated that in June or July an individual called at the District Attorney's Office stating he wanted to see the District Attorney about a problem. The individual was in some manner unknown to GILLEN referred to GILLEN's office. He stated that when this individual came into his office he remained standing and talked to GILLEN from across the desk. GILLEN stated he asked the person to sit down but the individual remained standing.

GILLEN said the visitor advised he was reading a book, but did not exhibit a book, and continued that according to the author of the book in question one reading the book should take a certain type of drug to fully appreciate the comments and data in the book. The person visiting GILLEN's office desired to know if the drug in question was legal. GILLEN stated the visitor did not have the book in question with him but he does recall that this individual had some kind of a paper back book which GILLEN describes as about the size of a "Laurel Review" publication. GILLEN recalls the individual indicated the book he had with him had to do with social-economic matters and at some point during the conversation the visitor finally sat down. GILLEN believes, but cannot be certain that the book referring to a drug was possibly written by an individual named HUCKLEY. GILLEN also believed he saw an item in the New Orleans Sunday paper on page 1 indicating that some author by the name of HUCKLEY had recently died in Los Angeles and that this article indicated HUCKLEY had written a book about the effective use of drugs. GILLEN states he told his visitor

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that he could not be certain but could only assume that any drug that would produce the results the visitor indicated the book described would be some kind of a narcotic and referred the visitor to the office of the City Chemist. GILLEN said the visitor took down the name, address and room number of the City Chemist but GILLEN did not know if this party actually called at the office of the City Chemist.

GILLEN states he believes his visitor was LEE HARVEY OSWALD but he cannot identify newspaper photographs of OSWALD as the person mentioned above. GILLEN explained that his eyesight is not good even though he wears glasses, but claims that his voice reception is above average and he feels sure that the voice of the above visitor is the voice of LEE HARVEY OSWALD, basing this statement on the sound of OSWALD's voice which GILLEN heard on a radio or television program in which OSWALD was interviewed by BILL STUCKEY. GILLEN stated he believes EDWARD S. BUTLER was also on this program.

GILLEN stated that in view of what has happened in Dallas, namely the shooting of a police officer, the assassination of the President and the subsequent death of OSWALD that he feels it is possible that OSWALD may have been taking some kind of drugs.